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Applicants : Ralph A. Spooner and Jerry L. Beck

For : MIRROR MOUNT WITH ACCESSORY HOUSING

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Dear Sir:

REQUEST FOR FILING DIVISIONAL APPLICATION  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

This is a request for filing a divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53 of co-pending application Serial No. 09/533,127, filed on March 23, 2000, by Ralph A. Spooner and Jerry L. Beck, entitled TOGGLE ASSEMBLY FOR REARVIEW MIRROR, which will issue on November 20, 2001 as U.S. Patent No. 6,318,870.

1. Copy of Prior Application as Filed Which is Attached

I hereby verify that the attached papers are a copy of what is shown in my records to be the above-identified prior application, including the Declaration as originally filed (37 CFR 1.53). No amendments referred to in any Declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter in that application.

The copy of the papers of the prior application as filed which is attached includes 14 pages of specification, 7 pages of claims (54 claims), 1 page of Abstract, 7 sheets of drawings, and signed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

2. Amendments

A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Claims 1-47 have been canceled and new claims 55-57 have been added. Examination on the basis of new claims 48-57 is requested.

3. Patent Application Bibliographic Data Form

A copy of the Patent Application Bibliographic Data Form is enclosed.

4. Filing Fee and Calculation

Basic Fee	\$740.00
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5. Drawings

Seven (7) sheets of drawings are enclosed and are copies of those filed in the parent application. Formal drawings are enclosed with the attached Preliminary Amendment.

6. Disclosure Statement

Applicants respectfully request that information cited in the prior parent application, Serial No. 09/533,127, be considered in the present application. A disclosure statement is enclosed along with copies of forms PTO-1449 listing all of the information from the prior parent application.

7. Inventorship Statement

With respect to the prior co-pending U.S. application from which this application claims benefit under 35 USC 120, the inventors in this application are the same, namely, Ralph A. Spooner and Jerry L. Beck.

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The prior application is assigned to Donnelly Corporation, a corporation of the State of Michigan, located and doing business at 414 East Fortieth Street, Holland, Michigan 49423. That Assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on March 23, 2000, at Reel 010687, Frame 0423.

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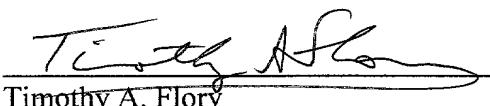
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